

2025 APTA Kansas Election

President

Nominee: Sierra Glaser

Nominator APTA Member ID Number: 839461

Please provide candidate statement:

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